

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Claims 47-53, 55-62, and 69-98 are pending. Claims 1-46, 54, and 63-68 have been cancelled. Claim 53 was amended.

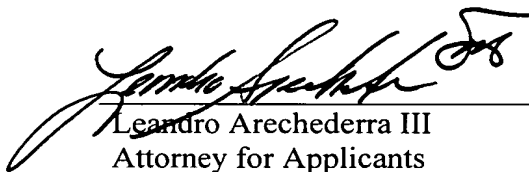
Claim 53 was amended to incorporate the subject matter of cancelled claim 54. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that no new matter has been added.

Applicants also submit herewith an information disclosure statement and respectfully request that it be considered.

Applicants respectfully solicit a prompt notice of allowance. Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any issues outstanding which have not been presented to the Examiner's satisfaction.

Respectfully submitted,

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